HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 626 By Joyce

A RESOLUTION to congratulate the pastor and congregation of Leewood Baptist Church on their 50th anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to recognize and congratulate those churches who through faith, values and unfaltering commitment are celebrating a mark of achievement; and

WHEREAS, Leewood Baptist Church is one such outstanding religious institution, celebrating 50 years of excellence; and

WHEREAS, on July 30, 1946, a group of approximately 38 people met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E.R. McCall to make plans for the forming of the Leewood Baptist Church; and WHEREAS, on November 10, 1946, a group of pastors met with this group from Leewood and the church was officially organized; there were 97 charter members; and WHEREAS, Tom Brandon was called to be the first minister; and

WHEREAS, the Leewood Baptist Church has been active in prayer ministry for the community; the prayer tower is manned by volunteers each week; and

WHEREAS, the church draws from the entire Memphis community; members have moved to other sections of town and have returned to Leewood to attend church; and

WHEREAS, churches such as Leewood baptist are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we pause to specially recognize Leewood Baptist Church on their 50th anniversary as one of the outstanding religious institutions of this state; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby congratulate the pastor and congregation of Leewood Baptist Church on 50 years of service, commitment and dedication to the Memphis community and to this state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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